

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**Re Examiner Items 4-6 inclusive (Drawings and Specification)**

Replacement Sheet 1 (Figures 1-3) adds character 11 for the forward extending sight line on top of the forward extending section 1 and references 11 in the amended Specification sections (pg. 7, lines 22-27 and pg. 8, lines 5 and 7) previously noted by Examiner as “confusing.”

Figures 1-3 also incorrectly referenced a hosel protrusion or rod as 10 (10 already used elsewhere) and incorrectly referenced same in the Specification (pg. 8, line 3) as 11 (with no 11 shown). Said protrusion or rod is now 30 in both Specification (pg. 8, line 3) and Replacement Sheets.

Figures 5-7 like 1-4 intended to show a hosel protrusion or rod 30 like Figs. 1-4 and referenced on page 8. Character 30 (hosel protrusion) was added to Figures 4-7 and Figs. 6 and 7. The hosel was altered to provide the appearance of a shaft section over a hosel protrusion or rod 30. Clarifying language was also added to (pg. 8, line 13) reference a hosel protrusion 30.

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Applicant has amended the Claims to reflect Examiner’s cited definition of hosel. Claim 1 now utilizes a hosel (male or female), hole, rod, socket “shaft connect means” to connect a straight or bent shaft to the forward end of said “forward extending

section.” This “forward extending section” is no longer referred to as a hosel. This should remove the limitation on Claim 1 applying only to dependent claims with hosels.

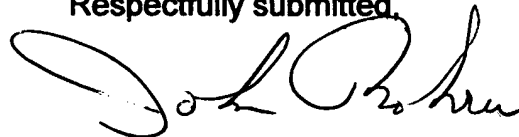
Examiner’s comment 10

Examiner makes prior art rearward extensions of Pierman, Colucci and Pegg of record and not relied upon. All of Applicant’s claims are dependent upon Applicant’s Claim 1 which unlike the above 3, includes both said forward extending section (forward of face) and said rearward putterhead extensions. Claim 1 also requires the shaft connecting means toward the forward end of said forward extending section (which Pierman, Colucci and Pegg lack).

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully maintains that the amended Drawings, Specification and Response place the amended Claims in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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